

Town of James Island
Tree Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 8th, 4:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Garrett Milliken (Environment & Beautification Committee Chair), David Tomblin (Appointed by Dan Boles), Amy Fabri (Appointed by Troy Mullinax), Jenny Welch (Appointed by Cynthia Mignano), Kathy Woolsey (Appointed by Mayor Woolsey), Robin Hardin.

Meeting commenced at 4:32 pm

I. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 2021 & January 2022 was deferred pending review.

II. Canopy Award

Will meet on 2/10 at 2 pm at 188 Godber to make award to Rainey Johnson who Kathy & the Mayor already contacted. All Tree council is invited and Garrett will try to get media to cover. Garrett will print certificate and bring award sign. We will post photos on Town site.

Mark Johnson along with tree interns to measure the tree for article at some time in the future as one intern is in COVID quarantine. Chris Girard will be conducting training of the interns next week and it was suggested interns measure tree as part of their training.

The canopy award will happen on Thursday at 2 pm pending confirmation by Rainey.

III. Update on Tree Survey

Mark and Chris Girard will conduct training for the new tree interns on 2/16.

IV. Recommended Large Tree List

Deferred to next month.

V. Tree Seedling Update

The Chairman received information from Mr. Tomblin on PowerPlant SC Tree Program. Mt. Pleasant is giving out seedlings in 100 count lots for planting across the county. Consensus is to plan to participate in the program in the future (next year). We need to identify the sites to plant around James Island.

Email about the PowerPlant SC will be distributed to all the members of the committee to learn about the program.

Ms. Fabri asked if we could include the city of Charleston with the program. Mr. Milliken said he would contact Caroline Parker, recently elected to city council about the program and ask her assistance.

Ms. Hardin suggested help should be offered to assist neighbors or the elderly with planting trees. The Chairman mentioned several organizations who could assist, such as James Island High School ROTC club.

VI. For the Good of the Order

No one had an item to discuss.

Adjourn 4:50 pm.

Next Meeting is March 8th at 4:30 pm